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Notice of Availability

FAIRBANKS, AK...The Bureau of Land Management has announced completion of an Environmental Assessment and Proposed Finding of No Significant Impact for the FEX L.P. Northwest National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Winter Exploration Drilling proposal.

The document was prepared to assess and document the environmental impacts of a winter exploratory drilling proposal submitted by FEX L.P. (formerly known as Fortuna LLC), an oil company based in Calgary, Canada. The company proposes to drill up to eight exploratory wells over the next two winter seasons in the Northwest National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska south of Cape Simpson and west of the Ikpikpuk River.

Copies of the document will be available for public review starting on Tuesday, November 22, 2005, at the BLM Alaska State Office Public Room, 222 W. Seventh Ave., Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 and the BLM Fairbanks District Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709. The document may also be available soon on the internet at: http://PROJECTS.ASCG.COM/NPR-A2006FEXEA.

Public comments concerning the document will be accepted through Dec. 12, 2005. Written comments should be addressed to:

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